

I am writing to protest the proposed changes to FCC regulations. My concern is these changes will allow gigantic corporations to circumvent laws governing monopolies and diminishing diversity in television and print media. Corporate media establishments cry that changes are necessary in order to survive, otherwise they see a future of charging consumers for what is now a public service or bankruptcy for media outlets.

I believe this reasoning is not sincere and only an excuse to earn exponential amounts of money as if they are no profits already.

With a media giant owning a majority of a market, every opportunity will be taken to present the view of the corporation at the exclusion of others. The citizens of this country deserve a voice and not be relegated to a public access channel.

A mass consolidation can also affect employees as corporations will begin to reduce workers wages and fees to contract workers.

I'm not against change of FCC rules, don't allow corporations to hijack the public interest.

At this time I urge the FCC to retain the current rules until it can be established that the corporate media giants are not exceeding their bounds.

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